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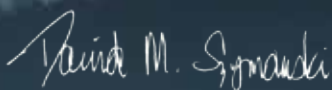
## Dear Reader

For the past 30 years, the OUTDOORS has served as a guide to exploring the Santa Monica Mountains. We hope this publication has helped enhance your park experiences.

The **National Park Service** and the **Santa Monica Mountains Fund** continue to work together to make it easier for you to find out what's going on in the mountains. To better meet your needs, the OUTDOORS is going digital.

In summer 2016, we will launch a new digital calendar on the **Santa Monica Mountains Fund website**. Expect the same information but in a new format that will allow you to find out what is scheduled quickly and easily. You can also look forward to a new e-newsletter as well as other digital and print marketing materials. We are really excited about these upcoming improvements and hope you are too!

With best wishes,



David Szymanski  
Superintendent  
Santa Monica Mountains  
National Recreation Area



Charlotte Parry  
Executive Director  
Santa Monica Mountains Fund

The New  
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[www.samofund.org](http://www.samofund.org)

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My deepest gratitude to all the individuals and organizations for your donations over the years. Your support has helped keep the OUTDOORS publication free of charge.

NOTE: Some of your kind donations remain in the Santa Monica Mountains Fund accounts and we would like to invest the money in a new print publication. However, if you prefer, the Fund will gladly return to you any donation made in the last year to support the OUTDOORS publication.

I also want to acknowledge and thank our most recent donors since the previous issue was printed:

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(closed some holidays)  
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Join  
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The **Santa Monica Mountains Fund** works to support conservation, understanding, and enjoyment in the *Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area*. Later this year you will be able to join the Fund and help the park. *More information will be available soon at [www.samofund.org/membership](http://www.samofund.org/membership)*

As a member your contributions will help:

- *Keep wildlife, like mountain lions, healthy*
- *Help kids visit the park*
- *Maintain trails*
- *Restore native plant habitats*

The new DIGITAL CALENDAR will go live later this year on our website.



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Sign up for new E-NEWSLETTER on events and programs: [www.samofund.org](http://www.samofund.org)

Support  
the DIGITAL  
Calendar

You don't need to be a member of the Santa Monica Mountains Fund to see the new digital calendar. It will be available on our website free of charge. However, as we will be paying a subscription to the calendar provider, your support will help us to be able to continue to fund it.

*NOTE: All donations are tax deductible and will go exclusively to the cost of maintaining the digital calendar.*

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### A PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT & SALE

#### **John Luker The Office: or "My Cubicle Is Nicer Than Yours!"**

**April 2, Saturday from 9am - 5pm**  
Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center

*John Luker* works for *Department of Parks and Recreation, Resources* on habitat restoration projects. His photographs were made in some of the most sublime places in the Santa Monica Mountains – his "office." Meet John from 12pm - 2pm. *The exhibit and sale will run through April 29.*  
**Info: 805-370-2301**

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE & WESTERN NATIONAL PARKS ASSN

**SAT 4/2 8:30am**

*Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center*  
**Focus on Birds** As spring gets into full swing, bring your binoculars and camera, and get some tips to capture photos of the birds we will see on this easy 1-mile walk around the grounds. Meet by flag pole. *Rain cancels.* 1.5hrs NPS

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*Cold Creek Preserve*  
**Habitat Restoration** Help weed, water, and mulch native plants for a restoration project. Bring snack, water, and sturdy shoes. Gloves and tools provided. Receive community service credit. Reservations required: 818-591-1701 x203 or [www.mountainstrust.org](http://www.mountainstrust.org). 3.5hrs MRT

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**Franklin's Movie Magic** Lights Camera Action! Join us as we go on location in the canyon. This site has been the backdrop for movies and TV shows since the 1930s up until today. Easy/moderate walk including some stairs. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

**SUN 4/3 10am**

*Franklin Canyon - Sooky Goldman Nature Center*  
**Nature Trek** Get outside and enjoy nature on this invigorating, moderately-difficult hike covering the canyon from top to bottom including shady green trails to sun-baked steep paths. Canyon history and habitat chat along the way. 2hrs MRCA/NPS



### Art Exhibit Opening

**Sunday, April 3**

**11am - 2pm**

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center

Meet Chinook - Quileute artist **Nadia Reed** and see her work at this exhibit opening. Her background and heritage inspire images about land, culture, movement and ancestry. All ages are welcome. **Exhibit will be available until the end of June.** Information: 805-370-2301

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

**SUN 4/3 10am**

*Topanga State Park*  
**A Walk Into the Prehistory of Topanga Canyon** Learn about Topanga's first people as they existed before European contact. 2hrs TCD

**SUN 4/3 1pm**

*Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center*  
**Verdant Ramble** Join a local gardener for an informal ramble to see what's blooming around the garden areas. 1hr NPS

**TUE 4/5 8:30am**

*Zuma/Trancas Canyons - Newton Canyon Trailhead*  
**Newton Canyon to Latigo / Backbone Trail** Join a moderately-paced, 5-mile, 1,000' gain, hike on scenic trail through oak woodlands and chaparral with ocean views. Bring water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. Info: Rita 919-889-9924. *Rain cancels.* 4hrs SC

**TUE 4/5 9am**

*Topanga State Park*  
**Santa Ynez to Eagle Rock to Musch Camp via Cheney Trail** Join us on a moderate, 9-mile, 2200' gain lollipop off the Fire Road. Meet at Santa Ynez trailhead (PCH north 0.5-mile on Sunset Blvd, left 2.5-miles on Palisades Dr., left on Vereda de la Montura to the gate). Bring water, lunch, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. *Rain cancels.* 5hrs SC

**FRI 4/8 2pm**

*Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center*  
**A Bit of Local History** Join us for a leisurely stroll around the visitor center and adjacent grounds while we learn what the properties meant to those who lived here. Meet inside visitor center. 1hr NPS

**FRI 4/8 4pm**

*Franklin Canyon - Franklin Canyon Ranch*  
**Urban Coyotes** Interested in getting to know your Canidae neighbors? Coyotes are thriving on the fringes of our dense metropolis. Join a ranger for a moderate, 1-mile hike to learn more this impressive animal from our wildlife neighborhood. Meet in parking lot. *Rain cancels.* 1.5hrs NPS

**SAT 4/9 8:45am**

*Malibu Creek State Park*  
**Stop and Smell the Roses** Join a docent on a moderate hike to explore the Backbone Trail west of Corral Canyon to Malibu Lake Dam. Meet in lower parking lot. Contact Tom at 818-216-7696 (or tgkaplan54@gmail.com) by 6pm on 4/7 for reservations. Wear sturdy hiking shoes, bring plenty of water, and lunch or snack. 5hrs MCD

**SAT 4/9 9am**

*Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa*  
**Potrero Creek Restoration** Help plant, weed, and water oak trees, and other native plants at our restoration site. Meet at West Potrero Rd. and Briar Ave. Bring hat, water, snack, and sturdy shoes. Gloves and tools provided. Receive community service credit. Reservations required: www.mountainstrust.org or 818-591-1701 x203. 3hrs MRT

**SAT 4/9 9am**

*R.H. Meyer Memorial State Beaches - El Matador State Beach*  
**Paint-out** Join us for a painting demonstration and group critique at noon. Facilities and parking fee. Info: http://allied-artists.com. 4hrs AASMM

**SAT 4/9 9am**

*Santa Monica Mountains*  
**Backbone Trail at Piuma Ridge** Join us on a moderately-paced, 10-mile, 1800' gain out-and-back hike. Meet at trailhead (exit 101 at Las Virgenes; go south to Mulholland Hwy; continue south 1.5-miles to Piuma Rd and park on the southeast shoulder). Bring food, water, hat, sunscreen, and hiking shoes. *Rain cancels.* 5hrs SC

**SAT 4/9 10am**

*Rancho Sierra Vista*  
**Kids Ranch Brand** Learn the history and importance of Rancho Sierra Vista's ranch brand. Children (5 & up) will "Brand" and decorate their own leather wristband. Materials provided. Limited seating. Meet at main parking lot. Reservations required: razsa\_cruz@nps.gov or 805-418-3163. 2hrs NPS

**SAT 4/9 2pm**

*Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center*  
**Nature Awareness & Safety for Kids** Join a naturalist to learn some of the skills and ways of the first people that lived here long ago. Trail safety and "leave no trace ethics" will also be discussed. Appropriate for children ages 7 and up. 1.5hrs NPS

**SAT 4/9 3pm**

*Temescal Gateway*  
**A Walk into the Chumash World** Chumash Indians have used many natural resources for thousands of years to create a sustainable way of life. Learn about their culture and life in Southern California on this easy 1-mile walk. Meet at front parking lot. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

**SUN 4/10 10am**

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**A Bit of Local History** Join us for a leisurely stroll around the visitor center and adjacent grounds while we learn what the properties meant to those who lived here. Meet inside visitor center. 1hr NPS

**SUN 4/10 3pm**

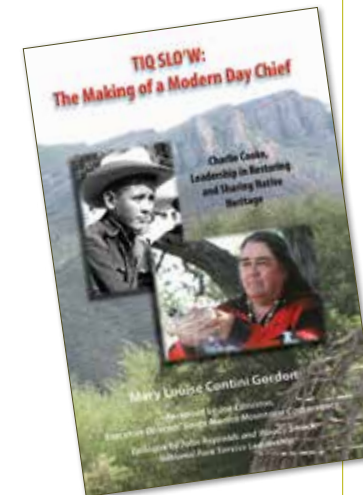
*Franklin Canyon - Sooky Goldman Nature Center*  
**Capture a Nature Moment** Nature offers the best photo opportunities, but can be a difficult model. Learn the tricks of nature photography on an easy walk. Bring your camera. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

**TUE 4/12 9am**

*Will Rogers State Park*  
**Will Rogers State Park** Join us on a 7-mile roundtrip, 1500' gain loop hike to Temescal Gateway Park and Temescal Canyon waterfall. Bring water, lunch, and lugsoles. *Rain cancels.* 5hrs SC

**SAT 4/16 9am**

*Franklin Canyon - Franklin Canyon Ranch*  
**Unleash Yourself in Nature!** Challenge yourself to an invigorating walking - workout and hike. Let go, and enjoy the great outdoors in the process. Beginners' welcome. Meet at parking lot. 2hrs MRCA/NPS



## Celebrating Migration

**Saturday, April 16 10am - 11am**

*Leo Carrillo State Park*

Join rangers in search of signs of gray whales. Also a great chance to explore the beach, tide pools, and look for seals and dolphins. Bring binoculars. Meet at visitor center. \$12 parking fee. **Info: 805-370-2301**

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## The Kid Who Became a Chief

**Sunday, April 16**

**10am - 12:30pm**

*Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center*

**Dr. Mary Contini Gordon**, the author of *TIQ SLO'W, the Making of a Modern Day Chief*, will talk about Charlie Cooke and his upbringing.

A focus of the talk will be a fun plant scavenger hunt for children. Chumash Elder, **Dennis Garcia** will perform an opening ceremony and blessing. Author of *Grandmother Oak Rosi Dagit* will then read to all underneath an oak tree. Wear sturdy shoes. All ages welcome. **Info: 805-370-2301**

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Resource Conservation District of the Santa Monica Mountains

## Environmental Educator Training

*Like working with students (grades K-12)?  
 Enjoy being outside interpreting nature?  
 Then contact us!*

[rcdsmm.org/education](http://rcdsmm.org/education)  
[rcdsmm.edu@gmail.com](mailto:rcdsmm.edu@gmail.com)  
 818-597-8627 x103



**SAT 4/16 10am**

*King Gillette Ranch*  
**Wilderness Survival Basics**  
 Ever wonder what it takes to get prepared for a wilderness survival situation? Join us on this program and learn some of the basics and tips you hopefully will never have to use. Appropriate for ages 14+. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

**SAT 4/16 3pm**

*King Gillette Ranch*  
**A Walk into the Chumash World**  
 Chumash Indians have used many natural resources for thousands of years to create a sustainable way of life. Learn about their culture and life in Southern California on this easy 1-mile walk. Meet at visitor center. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

**SUN 4/17 8am**

*Malibu Creek State Park*  
**Birdwalk** Enjoy watching birds in unspoiled habitats. Bring binoculars. Beginners welcome! Meet in lower parking lot. Info: Muriel 310-457-5796 or Art 818-887-0973. 4hrs SFVAS

**SUN 4/17 8:15am**

*Topanga State Park - Dead Horse Trailhead*  
**Hondo Cyn** Join a well-paced 8-mile roundtrip, 1800' gain hike up Hondo Cyn to old cabin site with wildflower views. Free parking on Entrada Rd. 5hrs SC

**SUN 4/17 9am**

*Santa Monica Mountains*  
**Garapito Cyn** Join a moderately-strenuous, 12-mile roundtrip, 1500' gain hike. Meet at south end of Reseda Blvd (in Tarzana, 2.5-miles south of Ventura Blvd) at top of hill at round-about (fee lot). 5hrs SC

**SUN 4/17 10am**

*Topanga State Park*  
**Family Walk** Join a Topanga Canyon Docent naturalist for a family walk. 2hrs TCD

**SUN 4/17 10am**

*Topanga State Park - Dead Horse Trailhead*  
**Dead Horse Trail** Join an easy, 4-mile roundtrip, 300' gain family walk. Meet at fee parking lot. 5hrs SC

**SUN 4/17 10am**

*Santa Monica Mountains*  
**Santa Ynez Cyn** Join a moderately-paced, 8-mile roundtrip, 900' gain hike. Meet at Santa Ynez trailhead in Pac. Palisades (PCH east 0.5-mile on Sunset Bl., left 2.5-miles on Palisades Dr., left on Vereda de Montura to gate). 5hrs SC

**TUE 4/19 8:30am**

*Malibu Creek State Park - Reagan Ranch*  
**Malibu Creek State Park - Cornell to MASH Site** Join a moderately-paced, 6-mile, 600' gain hike including Lookout Trail with great views, Century Lake, MASH site, and Reagan picnic area. Bring water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. Info: Rita 919-889-9924. *Rain cancels.* 4hrs SC

## Cultural Workshop

**Sunday, April 17**  
**10am & 1pm**

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center

Kumeyaay ethnobotanist **Richard Bugbee** will present a workshop on native uses for plants. Please be on time. All ages welcome. 2hrs

Info: 805-370-2301

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**TUE 4/19 9am**

*Santa Monica Mountains*  
**Westridge to Nike Site** Join a moderate, 8-mile roundtrip, 1200' gain hike above Sullivan Cyn to abandoned Nike Site on Mulholland Rd. Meet at end of Westridge Rd (Sunset Bl to Mandeville Cyn Rd, north 0.25-miles to Westridge Rd, left to end). Bring water, lunch, and lugsoles. *Rain cancels.* 5hrs SC

**THU 4/21 8am**

*Upper Las Virgenes Canyon Open Space Preserve*  
**Las Virgenes Canyon** Help celebrate National Park Week with a moderately-paced, 8-9-mile, 800' to 1200' gain hike in a canyon, with various options depending on weather. Meet at trailhead kiosk. Bring 2 qts water, lunch, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. *Rain cancels.* Info: 818-222-5581. 4hrs SC

**THU 4/21 6:30pm**

*Charmlee Wilderness Park*  
**Full Moon Hike** As April showers give way to May flowers, see what is blooming under the full moon. Meet at main parking lot. Moderate hike. 2hrs MRCA

**THU 4/21 6:30pm**

*Franklin Canyon - Franklin Canyon Ranch*  
**Full Moon Hike** See what is blooming under the full moon as April showers give way to May flowers. Meet at ranch parking lot. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

**SUN 4/24 8:30am**

*Malibu Lagoon State Beach*  
**Beach and Wetlands Bird Watching** Beginners, experts, teens or adults, all are welcome. Bring binoculars. Meet at shaded viewpoint. Info: 310-395-6235. 2-3hrs SMBAS

## The Chautauqua Series



**Tuesday, April 19, 7:30pm**  
 Temescal Gateway Park

### Drought Impacts on Sensitive Aquatic Species: Will El Niño change the story?

**Rosi Dagit**, Senior Conservation Biologist of the Resource Conservation District of the Santa Monica Mountains, will talk about the dramatic impact on sensitive aquatic species that inhabit coastal creeks in the Santa Monica Bay Watershed. Meet at Woodland Hall. 1.5hrs MRCA/SMMC

## Santa Monica Mountains TRAIL DAYS

**Friday, April 22 – Saturday, April 23**  
 Point Mugu State Park

**Friday, April 22 – 5:00pm**

Camp free and join us for fun trail work at Point Mugu State Park.

**Saturday, April 23 – 8:30am**

Fun trail work, weed war, and optional BBQ + camping. Meet at NPS Service Rd gate (101 Ventura Fwy, exit Wendy Dr, south on Wendy, right on Potrero Rd, left on Reino, left at NPS Service Rd). 5hrs SC/SMMTC/CSP

**Info + Camp Reservations:**  
[www.smmtc.org](http://www.smmtc.org)

**SUN 4/24 10am**

*Malibu Lagoon State Beach*  
**Birdwatching for Young Children and Parents** Special walk - binoculars provided. Meet at shaded viewpoint. Reservations not required except for groups: 310-395-6235. 1hr SMBAS

**SUN 4/24 10am**

*Paramount Ranch*  
**Set to Screen** Learn the secrets that turn a dusty set into a realistic town. Join us on this easy-paced walk behind the scenes to discover the illusions and history of Paramount Ranch. 1.5hrs NPS

**SUN 4/24 10am**

*Topanga State Park*  
**Wild Foods, History Mystery and 'Weird' Geography, OH MY!** Sample wild foods and learn about the Santa Monica Mountains. 2hrs TCD

**TUE 4/26 9am**

*Santa Monica Mountains*  
**Santa Monica Palisades Park Walk** Join us for a walk from Rustic Canyon Recreation Center to Palisades Park where we will walk over bridges, through tunnels, and climb stairs from one end of the park to the other. Meet at the Rustic Canyon Recreation Center Parking lot at 601 Latimer Road. Free parking. Bring water, lunch, and walking shoes. *Rain cancels.* 5hrs SC



### Rattlesnake Avoidance Workshops for Canines

**Friday, April 29**  
**Saturday, April 30**  
*Location to be determined*  
 8am-5pm\*

MRT, led by experts from High on Kennels, is hosting one-on-one training clinics to assure your dog understands the sight, smell, and sound of a rattlesnake. Fee of \$75 per dog. MRT

**Registration required:**  
 www.mountainstrust.org  
 818-591-1701 x2.

\*30 minute program per dog

**SAT 4/30 8:45am**

*Leo Carrillo State Park*  
**Habitat Restoration** Help remove invasive plants along the floodplains of the Arroyo Sequit. Bring water, snack, hat, and sturdy shoes. Gloves and tools provided. Receive community service credit. Reservations required: 818-591-1701 x203 or www.mountainstrust.org. 3.5hrs MRT

**SAT 4/30 9am**

*Malibu Creek State Park - Tapia Unit*  
**Habitat Restoration - Crayfish Removal Open House** Join us to learn about the importance of the Santa Monica stream ecosystem. This will involve trapping invasive crayfish, recording data, and removing trash in the streams of the Malibu Creek Watershed. Receive community service credit. Reservations required: www.mountainstrust.org or 818-591-1701 x203. 2hrs MRT

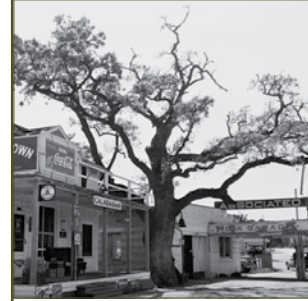
**SAT 4/30 10am**

*Malibu Creek State Park*  
**Welcome to Malibu Creek** Join a docent for a walk along the creek and through a wooded valley. Learn about the area's animals, plants, early inhabitants, and movies filmed in the park. Meet at lower parking lot. 2hrs MCD

**SAT 4/30 11am**

*Elysian Park*  
**Our Natural Neighbors** Join a ranger for a 2.5-mile hike through the canyon as we search for local wildlife. All findings will be posted onto iNaturalist, where our observations will go on to support ongoing research of plants and wildlife. Meet at Elysian park drive/Elysian Park trailhead. *Rain cancels.* 2hrs NPS

### WESTERN NATIONAL PARKS ASSOCIATION LECTURE SERIES



### Images of America: Calabasas - Past & Present

**Saturday, April 30 – 10:30am, 1pm, and 3pm**  
 Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center

Attend one of the three hour-long sessions. Join author **Cimberly Castellon** and Calabasas Mayor **James Bozajian** for a fascinating view of Calabasas' past and present. Book signing follows. Reservations required. Meet inside visitor center.

**Reservations/Information:**  
 805-370-2301 or samo@wnpa.org

**FOCUS ON ASTRONOMY**  
 in partnership with the **NATIONAL PARK SERVICE**

### Jupiter & Galaxies Galore

**Saturday, April 30, from 8pm - 11pm**  
**Rancho Sierra Vista main parking lot**

*The late skies of spring are littered with displays of distant galaxies. Among the display, this evening will be the king of the planets, Jupiter, and its dazzling displays of moons and cloud bands.*

**INFO: 805-370-2301**  
 or info@focusonastronomy.org



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## ART EXHIBIT & SALE Experiencing Coastal California

**May 1, Sunday from 9am - 5pm**  
**Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center**  
 Flowing out of over three decades of exploring and enjoying our coastal shores, bluffs and mountains, **Marnie Smart Piuze's** paintings are a grateful expression of the peace and wonder they impart. **You can meet the artist from 2pm-4pm. The exhibit and sale will run through June 8. Info: 805-370-2301**

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE & WESTERN NATIONAL PARKS ASSN

## Rattlesnake Avoidance Workshops for Canines

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**TUE 5/3 8:30am**

*Upper Las Virgenes Canyon Open Space Preserve - Las Virgenes Trailhead*  
**Las Virgenes Canyon** Enjoy a moderately-paced, 6-mile, 800' gain hike along a seasonal stream among the grasslands of Simi Hills. Bring water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. Info: Pixie 818-787-5420. *Rain cancels.* 4hrs SC

**TUE 5/3 9am**

*Zuma/Trancas Canyons - Encinal Canyon Trailhead*  
**Buzzard's Roost (2507')** **from Encinal Cyn Rd** Join us on a moderate, 8-mile round-trip, 1700' gain hike. Bring water, lunch, and lugsoles. *Rain cancels.* 5hrs SC

**THU 5/5 8am**

*Stunt Ranch Reserve Area - Lower Stunt High Trailhead*  
**Stunt High Trail to Saddle Peak** Join a moderately-paced, 8-mile, 2000' gain hike to Saddle Peak from Stunt Road. Bring 2 quarts water, lunch, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. Info: 818-981-4799. *Rain cancels.* 4hrs SC

**SAT 5/7 8:30am**

*Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center*  
**Spring Migration through the Lens** The first migration of the year is well underway. Bring your camera and get tips on how to capture the excitement of the many birds that will be passing through the grounds. Meet by flag pole. *Rain cancels.* 1.5hrs NPS

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**Stop and Smell the Roses** Join a docent led hike to explore the Backbone Trail east of Corral Canyon and the Tapia Spur Trail. Meet in lower parking lot. Contact Tom at 818-216-7696 (or [tgkaplan54@gmail.com](mailto:tgkaplan54@gmail.com)) by 6pm on 5/5 for reservations. Wear sturdy hiking shoes, bring plenty of water, and lunch or snack. 5hrs MCD

**SUN 5/8 10am**

*Franklin Canyon - Sooky Goldman Nature Center*  
**Nature Trek** Get outside and enjoy nature on this invigorating, moderately-difficult hike covering the canyon from top to bottom including shady green trails to sun-baked steep paths. Canyon history and habitat chat along the way. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

**SUN 5/8 10am**

*Topanga State Park*  
**What no Pizza Parlors?** How did the first people use natural resources? Join us on an easy hike with fun activities for mom and family. 2hrs TCD

**SUN 5/8 3pm**

*Franklin Canyon - Franklin Canyon Ranch*  
**Capture a Nature Moment** Nature offers the best photo opportunities, but can be a difficult model. Learn the tricks of nature photography on an easy walk. Bring your camera. Meet at parking lot. 2hrs MRCA/NPS





FREE

## Sunday Concerts in the Park

at Peter Strauss Ranch

May 8, 5pm – 7:30pm

Tiny Porch Concerts presents:

**The Battlefield** combines unique voices and styles that come together to form one powerful sound. Their songs mine a deeply-rooted tradition of western folk music, with messages of protest, praise, and love.



NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

## Lecture

Sunday, May 8  
10am & 1pm

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center



Learn about Chumash elder **Alan Salazar's** firsthand experiences of the tomol – plank canoe – crossing as well as its importance to the Chumash culture. Ages 10 and up welcome. Please be on time. 1.5hrs

Information: 805-370-2301

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

TUE 5/10 8:30am

*Santa Monica Mountains*  
**Fryman Canyon** Join a moderately-paced, 5.5-mile, 1000' gain hike above Studio City through Wilacre and Cold-water Canyon Parks to Fryman Canyon's hidden eucalyptus grove and seasonal creek. Park on street or in fee lot. Bring water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. *Rain cancels.* Info: Pixie 818-787-5420. 3hrs SC

TUE 5/10 9am

*Point Mugu State Park*  
**Chumash Trail - La Jolla Canyon** Join an 8-mile roundtrip, 1500' gain hike that starts with steep 900' climb. Meet at Pacific Palisades rideshare point or at Sycamore Cyn fee parking lot (PCH west 19-miles from Malibu Cyn Rd - pay fee or park outside). There will be a short car shuttle at the beginning. Bring water, lunch, and lugsoles. *Rain cancels.* 5hrs SC

THU 5/12 8am

*Zuma/Trancas Canyons - Newton Canyon Trailhead*  
**Upper Zuma Canyon Backbone Trail, Zuma Ridge Rd** Join a moderately-paced, 8-mile, 1400' gain hike on trail through canyon, then on fire road with mountain and ocean views, to Buzzard's Roost. Bring 2 qts water, lunch, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. *Rain cancels.* Info: 818-981-4799. 4hrs SC

FRI 5/13 2pm

*Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center*  
**A Bit of Local History** Join us for a leisurely stroll around the visitor center and adjacent grounds while we learn what the properties meant to those who lived here. Meet inside visitor center. 1hr NPS

SAT 5/14 9am

*Temescal Gateway Park*  
**Temescal to Will Rogers** Join a moderately-paced, 8-mile, 2000' gain out-&-back hike via the Temescal connector trail to Will Rogers State Historic Park. Continue to Inspiration Point and part of the Backbone Trail. (To avoid fee, park just outside the park). Bring food, water, hat, sunscreen, and hiking shoes. *Rain cancels.* 5hrs SC

SAT 5/14 9am

*Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa*  
**Potrero Creek Restoration** Help plant, weed, and water oak trees and other native plants at our restoration. Meet at W. Potrero Rd. and Briar Ave. Bring hat, water, snack, and sturdy shoes. Gloves and tools provided. Receive community service credit. Reservations required: 818-591-1701 x203 or [www.mountainstrust.org](http://www.mountainstrust.org). 3hrs MRT

SAT 5/14 9am

*Malibu Lagoon State Beach*  
**Slow Down and Relax** Enjoy tapping into nature with gentle Qigong standing exercises by the beach. Qigong is a healing system which includes slow flowing movements like Tai Chi that can easily be adapted to one's physical ability. Wear loose fitting clothing. 1.25hrs NPS

SAT 5/14 9am

*Topanga State Park*  
**Paint-out** This sprawling park offers plenty to paint – secluded trails, green meadows in spring bloom, mountain vistas, and the occasional deer sighting. Painting demonstration and group critique at noon. Facilities and parking fee. Info: <http://allied-artists.com>. 4hrs AASMM

SAT 5/14 10am

*Franklin Canyon - Sooky Goldman Nature Center*  
**Wilderness Survival Basics** Ever wonder what it takes to get prepared for a wilderness survival situation? Join us on this program. Learn some of the basics and tips you hopefully will never have to use. Appropriate for ages 14+. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

SAT 5/14 2pm

*Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center*  
**Nature Awareness and Safety for Kids** Join a naturalist to learn some of the skills and ways of the first people that lived here long ago. Trail safety and "leave no trace ethics" will also be discussed. Appropriate for children ages 7 and up. 1.5hrs NPS

SAT 5/14 3pm

*King Gillette Ranch*  
**A Walk into the Chumash World** Chumash Indians have used many natural resources for thousands of years to create a sustainable way of life. Learn about their culture and life in Southern California on this easy 1-mile walk. Meet at visitor center. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

SUN 5/15 8am

*Malibu Creek State Park*  
**Birdwalk** Enjoy watching birds in unspoiled habitats. Bring binoculars. Beginners welcome! Meet in lower parking lot. Info: Muriel 310-457-5796 or Art 818-887-0973. 4hrs SFVAS

SUN 5/15 10am

*Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center*  
**A Bit of Local History** Join us for a leisurely stroll around the visitor center and adjacent grounds while we learn what the properties meant to those who lived here. Meet inside visitor center. 1hr NPS

SUN 5/15 10am

*Topanga State Park*  
**Family Walk** Join a Topanga Canyon Docent naturalist for a family walk. 2hrs TCD





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## Topanga Banjo Fiddle Contest & Folk Festival

Join us to celebrate our 56th year with Southern California's Favorite Bluegrass, Old-Time and Folk Music Event!

**May 15, 2015**  
**Sunday, 9am–6pm**  
**Paramount Ranch**

Featuring bluegrass, old-time, and folk music - with contestants, performers, folk dancing, jamming, folk arts booths, and park exhibits. New clog dance competition. FEE.

**Info: 818-382-4819**  
**[www.topangabanjofiddle.org](http://www.topangabanjofiddle.org)**

Topanga Banjo Fiddle Contest & Folk Festival, Inc.  
in cooperation with the National Park Service

**TUE 5/17 9am**

*Cold Creek Preserve – Lower Stunt High Trailhead*  
**Stunt Road to Saddle Peak**  
Join a moderately-paced, 7.5-mile roundtrip, 1800' gain hike which connects to the Backbone Trail with vistas from Saddle Peak. Meet 8:15am at Pacific Palisades rideshare point or 9am at Lower Stunt Rd trailhead. Bring water, lunch, and lugsoles. *Rain cancels.* 5hrs SC

**TUE 5/17 7:30pm**

*Temescal Gateway Park*  
**The Chautauqua Series**  
Gather at this free monthly lecture series on a variety of topics from local natural history to current events. Meet experts in their field and also fellow community members over a cup of coffee. Meet at Woodland Hall. 1.5hrs MRCA/SMMC



**SAT 5/21 8:45am**

*Leo Carrillo State Park*  
**Habitat Restoration** Help remove invasive plants along the floodplains of the Arroyo Sequit. Bring water, snack, hat, and sturdy shoes. Gloves and tools provided. Receive community service credit. Reservations required: 818-591-1701 x203 or [www.mountainstrust.org](http://www.mountainstrust.org). 3.5hrs MRT

**SAT 5/21 9am**

*Charmlee Wilderness Park*  
**Rewilding Minds** In the same way ecosystems self-correct, our minds incline towards wellness. Explore what ecosystem dynamics can teach us about our own moods and states of mind on an easy walk with experiential exercises and discussion. 3hrs MRCA

**SAT 5/21 9am**

*Franklin Canyon - Franklin Canyon Ranch*  
**Unleash Yourself in Nature!**  
Challenge yourself to an invigorating walking - workout and hike. Let go, and enjoy the great outdoors in the process. Beginners' welcome. Meet at parking lot. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

**SAT 5/21 9am**

*Malibu Creek State Park - Tapia Park*  
**Habitat Restoration - Crayfish Removal Open House**  
Join us to learn about the importance of the Santa Monica stream ecosystem. This will involve trapping invasive crayfish, recording data, and removing trash in the streams of the Malibu Creek Watershed. Receive community service credit. Reservations required: [www.mountainstrust.org](http://www.mountainstrust.org) or 818-591-1701 x203. 2hrs MRT

## Santa Monica Mountains

National Park Service  
U.S. Department of the Interior



**FRIDAY, MAY 20**  
**SATURDAY, MAY 21**

**PARAMOUNT RANCH**  
**AGOURA HILLS, CA**

**FREE!**

**All Ages**

**Discover and explore the biodiversity in your neighborhood national park!**  
Help us identify and document the plants and animals in the Santa Monica Mountains!

Join us for a special nationwide  
**National Park BioBlitz**  
at the **Science Festival!**

**2016**

National Park Service  
CENTENNIAL

### DATES & TIMES

Friday, May 20, 2016, 7pm - 10pm  
Saturday, May 21, 2016, 10am - 4pm

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

805-370-2301 [nps.gov/samo/sciencefestival.htm](http://nps.gov/samo/sciencefestival.htm)

### PARTNERS

Natural History Museum of LA County,  
Santa Monica Mountains Fund, NatureBridge



SAT 5/21 9am

*Topanga State Park*  
**Lower Topanga Park Restoration** Help restore native habitat. Bring hat, water, snack, and sturdy shoes. Gloves and tools provided. Receive community service credit. Reservations required: 818-591-1701 x203 or www.mountainstrust.org. 3hrs MRT

SAT 5/21 7:30pm

*Charmlee Wilderness Park*  
**Blue Moon Hike** Discover the full moon and why it is 'blue'. Meet at main parking lot. Moderate hike. 2hrs MRCA

SAT 5/21 7:30pm

*Franklin Canyon - Franklin Canyon Ranch*  
**Blue Moon Hike** Join us for this "once in a blue moon" hike to discover the full moon and why it is 'blue'. Meet at ranch parking lot. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

SUN 5/22 8:30am

*Malibu Lagoon State Beach*  
**Beach and Wetlands Bird Watching** Beginners, experts, teens or adults, all are welcome. Bring binoculars. Meet at shaded viewpoint. Info: 310-395-6235. 2-3hrs SMBAS

SUN 5/22 10am

*Malibu Lagoon State Beach*  
**Birdwatching for Young Children and Parents** Special walk - binoculars provided. Meet at shaded viewpoint. Reservations not required except for groups: 310-395-6235. 1hr SMBAS

## Cultural Workshop

**Sunday, May 22**  
**10am & 1pm**

**Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center**

Get in touch with your creative side at this fun cultural workshop. Hupa artist, **Kat High**, will teach how to make round reed baskets. Materials provided. Please be on time. All ages welcome. Limited seating and materials, so first come, first served. 2hrs

**Info: 805-370-2301**

**NATIONAL PARK SERVICE**



SUN 5/22 10am

*Topanga State Park*  
**Come See How the Locals Live, Local Wildlife That Is!** This docent-led nature walk features animal homes. 2hrs TCD

TUE 5/24 8:30am

*Cold Creek Preserve - Lower Stunt High Trailhead*  
**Stunt High Trail** Join a moderately-paced, 6-mile, 1000' gain hike through a riparian canyon and chaparral. Bring water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. *Rain cancels.* Info: Pixie 818-787-5420. 3hrs SC

TUE 5/24 9am

*Leo Carrillo State Park*  
**Leo Carrillo Beach to Nicholas Flat** Join a moderately-paced 8-mile roundtrip, 1800' gain hike. Park in the lot or on PCH (free). Bring water, lunch, and lugsoles. *Rain cancels.* 5hrs SC

THU 5/26 8am

*Topanga State Park*  
**Trippet Ranch, Musch Trail, Eagle Rock Loop** Join a moderately-paced, 7-mile, 1200' gain hike. Park along Entrada Rd outside lot or pay to park in lot. Bring \$ for parking, 2 qts water, lunch, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. *Rain cancels.* Info: 818-981-4799. 4hrs SC

FRI 5/27 3pm

*Vista Hermosa*  
**Junior Biologists** Learn about the ongoing research of our local wildlife as we "capture and collar" mountain lions, coyotes, and bobcats. Meet in parking lot. *Rain cancels.* 1hr NPS

SAT 5/28 7pm

*Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa*  
**Who's Hoo?** Join a ranger and learn the different owls that may be found within the area on this 1.5-mile hike. Bring sturdy shoes, water, hat, and flashlight. Meet in main parking lot. *Rain cancels.* 1.5hrs NPS



Contact us at  
[www.samofund.org/fundraiser2016](http://www.samofund.org/fundraiser2016)  
 to purchase tickets

Please join us

**Sunday, May 22, 2016**

**5:30 pm - 8:30 pm**

## CELEBRATION of the National Park Service Centennial

honoring retired

**Congressman  
 Anthony Beilenson**

**Tickets \$125**

Drinks and small plates

*Anthony C. Beilenson Visitor Center  
 King Gillette Ranch*

SUN 5/29 10am

*Malibu Creek State Park*  
**Welcome to Malibu Creek** Join a docent for a walk along the creek and through a wooded valley. Learn about the area's animals, plants, early inhabitants, and movies filmed in the park. Meet at lower parking lot. 2hrs MCD

SUN 5/29 10am

*Topanga State Park*  
**A Walk into the Prehistory of Topanga Canyon** Learn about Topanga's first people as they existed before European Contact. 2hrs TCD

SUN 5/29 10am

*Paramount Ranch*  
**Set to Screen** Learn the secrets that turn a dusty set into a realistic town. Join us on this easy-paced walk behind the scenes to discover the illusions and history of Paramount Ranch. 1.5hrs NPS

TUE 5/31 8:30am

*Topanga State Park*  
**Trippet Ranch to Eagle Rock via Musch Trail** Join a moderately-paced, 5-mile, 700' gain hike with wildflowers, grasslands, oak woodlands, chaparral, and coastal sage to 360° view at Eagle Rock. Bring water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. *Rain cancels.* Info: Rita 919-889-9924. 4hrs SC

TUE 5/31 9am

*Topanga State Park - Dead Horse Trailhead*  
**Cathedral Rock (2000') from Deadhorse Trail**  
**Rendezvous Hike** Join a 10-mile roundtrip, 1900' gain hike to lunch rendezvous at Cathedral Rock. Meet at dirt parking lot on left or 9:15am at Trippet Ranch for shorter hike. Bring water, lunch, and lugsoles. *Rain cancels.* 5hrs SC

JUNE



*Questions  
on a program/event?*  
Look for the acronym  
at the end of the descrip-  
tion (e.g., NPS = National  
Park Service). Then use the  
**Directory on Page 37**  
to contact the sponsoring  
agency or organization.

**WED 6/1** **9am**  
*Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa*  
**Plein Art Landscape Painting**  
Paint landscapes with TOPAW,  
including David Deyell, author  
and volunteer at Yosemite  
National Park. Bring your  
materials and enjoy your park  
by creating art from nature.  
Coordinator: Shel 805-376-  
0034. 3hrs TOPAW

**THU 6/2** **8am**  
*Caballero Canyon -  
Lower Trailhead*  
**Caballero Canyon and  
Topanga State Park** Join a  
moderately-paced, 8-10-mile  
hike. Bring 2 qts water, lunch,  
lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen.  
*Rain cancels.* Info: 818-981-  
4799. 4hrs SC

**SAT 6/4** **8:30am**  
*Santa Monica Mountains  
Interagency Visitor Center*  
**Raptors in the Viewfinder**  
After nesting in the spring,  
California's most prominent  
hawks, the Red-tailed and  
Red-shouldered hawks, will be  
having their young. Bring your  
camera and learn some tips  
to help you photograph these  
majestic birds as they try out  
their new wings at our  
grounds. Meet by  
flag pole. *Rain  
cancels.* 1.5hrs NPS



**SAT 6/4** **8:45am**  
*Cold Creek Preserve*  
**Habitat Restoration** Help  
weed, water, and mulch  
native plants for a restoration  
project. Bring snack, water, and  
sturdy shoes. Gloves and tools  
provided. Receive community  
service credit. Reservations  
required: 818-591-1701 x203  
or [www.mountainstrust.org](http://www.mountainstrust.org).  
3.5hrs MRT

**SAT 6/4** **9am**  
*Franklin Canyon -  
Franklin Canyon Ranch*  
**Rewilding Minds** In the same  
way ecosystems self-correct,  
our minds incline towards well-  
ness. Explore what ecosystem  
dynamics can teach us about  
our own moods and states of  
mind on an easy walk with  
experiential exercises and dis-  
cussion. Meet at ranch parking  
lot. 3hrs MRCA/NPS

**SAT 6/4** **9am**  
*Malibu Creek State Park*  
**Exploratory Ramble** Join  
a moderately-paced, 8-mile,  
2000' gain loop hike to less-  
visited trails, including the Lost  
Cabin, Cistern, and Overlook  
trails. Meet at Woodland Hills  
rideshare point. Bring food,  
water, hat, sunscreen, and  
hiking shoes. *Rain cancels.*  
5hrs SC



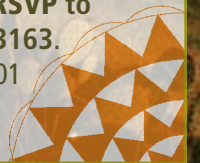
## Cultural Workshop

**Sunday, June 5 10am & 1pm**

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center

Join **Mathew WhiteBear McMasters** for a leather  
medicine bag workshop. Materials will be provided.  
Limited materials and seating. 2hrs **RSVP to**  
**razsa\_cruz@nps.gov or 805-418-3163.**  
All ages welcome. Info: 805-370-2301

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE



**SAT 6/4** **10am**  
*Franklin Canyon -  
Sooky Goldman Nature Center*  
**Franklin's Movie Magic  
Lights Camera Action!** Join  
us as we go on location in the  
canyon. This site has been the  
backdrop for movies and TV  
shows since the 1930s up until  
today. Easy/moderate walk  
including some stairs. 2hrs  
MRCA/NPS

**SUN 6/5** **10am**  
*Franklin Canyon -  
Sooky Goldman Nature Center*  
**Nature Trek** Get outside and  
enjoy nature on this invigorat-  
ing, moderately-difficult hike  
covering the canyon from top to  
bottom including shady green  
trails to sun-baked steep paths.  
Canyon history and habitat chat  
along the way. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

**SUN 6/5** **10am**  
*Topanga State Park*  
**Hike** Learn about Topanga's  
first locals, wildlife, and wild-  
flowers with a Topanga Canyon  
Docent. A docent led hike for  
children and families. 2hrs TCD

**SUN 6/5** **1pm**  
*Santa Monica Mountains  
Interagency Visitor Center*  
**Verdant Ramble** Join a local  
gardener for an informal ramble  
to see what's blooming around  
the garden areas. 1hr NPS

**TUE 6/7** **8:45am**  
*Malibu Creek State Park*  
**Malibu Creek Dams** Join a  
moderate, 8-mile roundtrip hike  
with 400' elevation gain follow-  
ing Malibu Creek, past the  
Century and Malibu Lake dams,  
and the Mash film site. Meet at  
southwest corner of Mulholland  
Hwy & Malibu Cyn Rd. Bring  
water, lunch, and lugsoles. Red  
Flag cancels. 5hrs SC

**THU 6/9** **6pm**  
*Rocky Oaks*  
**Be a Wildlife Biologist!** Ages  
6-12, learn about the ongoing  
research of one of our rarely  
seen neighborhood visitors,  
bobcats, with a hands-on  
simulation of a capture and  
collaring. Reservations required:  
805-370-2325. 1.5hrs NPS

**FRI 6/10** **2pm**  
*Santa Monica Mountains  
Interagency Visitor Center*  
**A Bit of Local History** Join  
us for a leisurely stroll around  
the visitor center and adjacent  
grounds while we learn what  
the properties meant to those  
who lived here. Meet inside  
visitor center. 1hr NPS



**WESTERN NATIONAL PARKS ASSOCIATION  
ART SHOW & SALE**

## Mexican Art Show & Sale

**June 10 - 12, Friday - Sunday, 9:30a - 4p**

Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center

**11am and 2pm daily:**  
**Oaxacan woodcarving** demonstrations

**12pm, 1pm, and 3pm daily:**  
**Mata Ortiz pottery** demonstrations

Enjoy an extraordinary variety of Oaxacan wood carvings, Mata Ortiz pottery, and Zapotec rugs. See premier Oaxacan wood carvers and master **Mata Ortiz** potters at work. Information: samo@wnpa.org or 805-370-2302



**SAT 6/11 9am**

**Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa Potrero Creek Restoration**  
Help plant, weed and water oak trees and other native plants at our restoration site. Meet at West Potrero Rd. and Briar Ave. Bring hat, water, snack, and sturdy shoes. Gloves and tools provided. Receive community service credit. Reservations required: [www.mountainstrust.org](http://www.mountainstrust.org) or 818-591-1701 x203 or. 3hrs MRT

### Rattlesnake Avoidance Workshops for Canines

**Saturday, June 11**  
**Sunday, June 12**  
**Location to be determined**  
**8am-5pm\***

MRT, led by experts from High on Kennels, is hosting one-on-one training clinics to assure your dog understands the sight, smell, and sound of a rattlesnake. Fee of \$75 per dog. MRT

**Registration required:**  
[www.mountainstrust.org](http://www.mountainstrust.org)  
818-591-1701 x2.

\*30 minute program per dog

**SAT 6/11 9am**

**Santa Monica Mountains Paint-out** The beautiful Nicholas Canyon Beach offers tide pools, coastal bluffs, and the mountains. Painting demonstration, facilities, and parking fee. (33850 PCH, Malibu). Info: <http://allied-artists.com>. 4hrs AASMM

**SAT 6/11 10am**

**Charmlee Wilderness Park Biomimicry** What if organisms and systems in nature had the answers to how to live together better in our human societies? Come on an easy walk to see how we are learning in a whole new way from nature. 2hrs MRCA

**SAT 6/11 10am**

**King Gillette Ranch Wilderness Survival Basics**  
Ever wonder what it takes to get prepared for a wilderness survival situation? Join us on this program and learn some of the basics and tips you hopefully will never have to use. Appropriate for ages 14+. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

**SAT 6/11 10am**

**Rancho Sierra Vista Kids Ranch Brand** Learn the history and importance of Rancho Sierra Vista's ranch brand. Children (5 & up) will "Brand" and decorate their own leather wristband. Materials provided. Limited seating. Meet at the main parking lot. Reservations required: [razsa\\_cruz@nps.gov](mailto:razsa_cruz@nps.gov) or 805-418-3163. 2hrs NPS

**SAT 6/11 2pm**

**Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center Nature Awareness and Safety for Kids** Join a naturalist to learn some of the skills and ways of the first people that lived here long ago. Trail safety and "leave no trace ethics" will also be discussed. Appropriate for children ages 7 and up. 1.5hrs NPS

**SAT 6/11 3pm**

**Temescal Gateway A Walk into the Chumash World** Chumash Indians have used many natural resources for thousands of years to create a sustainable way of life. Learn about their culture and life in Southern California on this easy 1-mile walk. Meet at front parking lot. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

**SAT 6/11 10am**

**Zuma/Trancas Canyon - Zuma Canyon Trailhead Herp Search** Join a ranger for a 1.5-mile hike through the canyon as we search for local reptiles. All findings will be posted onto iNaturalist, where our observations will go on to support ongoing research of herps. *Rain cancels.* 1.5hrs NPS

**SUN 6/12 8:45am**

**Malibu Creek State Park Stop and Smell the Roses** Join a docent for a hike from Stunt Road to Tapia Park. Meet in lower parking lot. Info: Tom 818-216-7696 or [tgkaplan54@gmail.com](mailto:tgkaplan54@gmail.com) by 6pm on 6/9 for reservations and leave phone #. Wear sturdy hiking shoes, bring plenty of water, and lunch or snack. 5hrs MCD

**SUN 6/12 10am**

**Topanga State Park Stories and Songs of the Elfin Forest** A docent led hike for children and families. 2hrs TCD

**SUN 6/12 3pm**

**Franklin Canyon - Sooky Goldman Nature Center Capture a Nature Moment** Nature offers the best photo opportunities, but can be a difficult model. Learn the tricks of nature photography on an easy walk. Bring your camera. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

## FREE Sunday Concerts in the Park

at Peter Strauss Ranch  
**June 12, 5pm - 7:30pm**

Tiny Porch Concerts presents:

**Ted Z & the Wranglers** deliver outlaw country-charged rock. The band stirs up its Americana influences.  
**FOR MORE INFO:**  
805-370-2301



**NATIONAL PARK SERVICE**

**TUE 6/14 8am**

*Franklin Canyon - Franklin Canyon Ranch*  
**Franklin Canyon** Join a moderately-paced, 5-mile, 800' gain hike up and down a chaparral canyon, with a viewpoint, then by a lake in the midst of Beverly Hills. Meet at lower parking lot. Bring water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. *Rain cancels.* Info: Pixie 818-787-5420. 3hrs SC

**TUE 6/14 8:30am**

*Will Rogers State Park*  
**Backbone Trail to Oak Tree** Join an 8-mile roundtrip, 1600' gain hike to Inspiration Pt, Chicken Ridge Bridge to the Oak Tree. Bring water, lunch, and lugsoles. Red Flag cancels. 5hrs SC

**WED 6/15 9am**

*Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa*  
**Plein Art Landscape Painting** Paint landscapes with TOPAW, including David Deyell, author and volunteer at Yosemite National Park. Bring your materials and enjoy your park by creating art from nature. Coordinator: Shel 805-376-0034. 3hrs TOPAW

**THU 6/16 8am**

*Malibu Creek State Park - Reagan Ranch*  
**Hike** Join a moderately-paced, 8-mile, 1000' gain hike, including Lookout Trail with great views, Century Lake, and Reagan picnic area. Bring 2 qts water, lunch, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. *Rain cancels.* Info: 818-981-4799. 4hrs SC

**SAT 6/18 9am**

*Franklin Canyon - Franklin Canyon Ranch*  
**Unleash Yourself in Nature!** Challenge yourself to an invigorating walking - workout and hike. Let go, and enjoy the great outdoors in the process. Beginners' welcome. Meet at parking lot. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

**SAT 6/18 10am**

*Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center*  
**Big Cats of the Mountain** Learn about the elusive mountain lions that survive in the Santa Monica Mountains on this 1-mile hike. See how our researchers track these cats and hear the stories of birth, life, and death of some of these animals. Meet at fountain. 1.5hrs NPS

**SAT 6/18 3pm**

*King Gillette Ranch*  
**A Walk into the Chumash World** Chumash Indians have used many natural resources for thousands of years to create a sustainable way of life. Learn about their culture and life in Southern California on this easy 1-mile walk. Meet at visitor center. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

**SAT 6/18 7pm**

*Franklin Canyon - Franklin Canyon Ranch*  
**Summer Solstice Hike** Hike up a moderate trail at sunset, identifying plants. Stop at viewpoint overlook to discuss seasonal changes, identify planets, and constellations. Meet at ranch parking lot. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

## Evening Cultural Program

**Saturday, June 18, 7pm**

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center

**Ted Garcia**, Chief of the Southern Clan of the Chumash, performs and shares the meaning of Chumash songs. For all ages. 1.5hrs  
**Info: 805-370-2301**



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## The Chautauqua Series



**Tuesday, June 14, 7:30pm**  
*Temescal Gateway Park*

### Excavations at CAVEN395: A Summer in the Santa Monica Mountains

Presented by **Joseph Curran**, Archaeologist  
 The California Coastal Laboratory of CSULA excavated CAVEN395, which revealed a prime example of natural forces colliding with human society and how they experienced and managed these processes. This helps us understand California today. Meet at Woodland Hall. 1.5hrs MRCA/SMMC

## Movies by Moonlight

**Saturday, June 18, 8pm - 9:45pm**  
 Paramount Ranch

**"Shane (1953)"**

Celebrate the *National Park Service Centennial* by joining us for a screening of **Shane**. Filmed in Technicolor in the great Wyoming outdoors, under the towering peaks of **Grand Teton National Park**, the film is a rich and dramatic painting of the American frontier.

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**Information:**  
**805-370-2301**



**SUN 6/19 8am**

*Malibu Creek State Park*  
**Birdwalk** Enjoy watching birds in unspoiled habitats. Bring binoculars. Beginners welcome! Meet in lower parking lot. Info: Muriel 310-457-5796 or Art 818-887-0973. 4hrs SFVAS

**SUN 6/19 10am**

*Topanga State Park*  
**Family Walk** Join a Topanga Canyon Docent naturalist for a family walk. 2hrs TCD

**SUN 6/19 4pm**

*Topanga State Park*  
**Long Day's Night Hike** Join a moderately-strenuous, 7-mile roundtrip hike from Santa Ynez Cyn to Trippet Ranch. Nice ocean and canyon views. Meet at Santa Ynez trailhead (PCH east 0.5-mile on Sunset Bl., left on Palisades Dr. 2.5-miles, left on Vereda de la Montura to gate). Bring snack, water, and lugsoles. Red Flag cancels. 5hrs SC

**SUN 6/19 7:30pm**

*Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa*  
**Full Moon Hike** Take a 1.5-mile hike with a ranger and discover which animals come out at dusk. If we are lucky, we will spot some scorpions or hear the coyotes howl. Bring a flashlight. Meet in main parking lot. 1.5hrs NPS

**MON 6/20 8pm**

*Charmlee Wilderness Park*  
**Full Moon Hike** Enjoy the warm evening beneath the glow of a full moon. It's the perfect evening to observe nighttime adaptations and great views. Meet at main parking lot. Moderate hike. 2hrs MRCA

**MON 6/20 8pm**

*Franklin Canyon - Franklin Canyon Ranch*  
**Full Moon Hike** Enjoy the warm evening beneath the glow of a full moon. It's the perfect evening to observe nighttime adaptations and great views. Meet at ranch parking lot. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

**TUE 6/21 8am**

*King Gillette Ranch*  
**King Gillette Ranch** Join a moderately-paced, 5-mile, 400' elevation gain hike in a valley and coast live oak savannah, grasslands, coastal sage scrub, as well as manicured grounds around the Gillette Mansion. Park on fee lot. Bring water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. *Rain cancels.* Info: Marcia 310-828-6670. 4hrs SC

**THU 6/23 8am**

*Cheeseboro/Palo Comado Canyons*  
**Hike** Join a moderately-paced, 9-10-mile hike to Shepherds' Flat, over grasslands and along an old ranch road following a streambed. Bring 2 qts water, lunch, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. *Rain cancels.* Info: 818-222-5581. 4hrs SC

**SAT 6/25 8am**

*Franklin Canyon - Sooky Goldman Nature Center*  
**Canyon Birds** Spend part of the morning with the birds! Enjoy a leisurely morning stroll around Franklin Canyon Lake finding local and migratory birds. No dogs please. Meet at parking lot below Nature Center. Bring binoculars. Beginners welcome. 2hrs MRCA/NPS

**SAT 6/25 8:45am**

*Leo Carrillo State Park*  
**Habitat Restoration** Help remove invasive plants along the floodplains of the Arroyo Sequit. Bring water, snack, hat, and sturdy shoes. Gloves and tools provided. Receive community service credit. Reservations required: 818-591-1701 x203 or www.mountainstrust.org. 3.5hrs MRT

**SAT 6/25 9am**

*Malibu Creek State Park - Tapia Park*  
**Habitat Restoration - Crayfish Removal Open House** Join us to learn about the importance of the Santa Monica stream ecosystem. This will involve trapping invasive crayfish, recording data, and removing trash in the streams of the Malibu Creek Watershed. Receive community service credit. Reservations required: www.mountainstrust.org or 818-591-1701 x203. 2hrs MRT

**SAT 6/25 10am**

*Malibu Creek State Park*  
**Welcome to Malibu Creek** Join a docent for a walk along the creek and through a wooded valley. Learn about the area's animals, plants, early inhabitants, and movies filmed in the park. Meet at lower parking lot. 2hrs MCD

**SUN 6/26 8:30am**

*Malibu Lagoon State Beach*  
**Beach and Wetlands Bird Watching** Beginners, experts, teens or adults, all are welcome. Bring binoculars. Meet at shaded viewpoint. Info: 310-395-6235. 2-3hrs SMBAS

**SUN 6/26 10am**

*Malibu Lagoon State Beach*  
**Birdwatching for Young Children and Parents** Special walk - binoculars provided. Meet at shaded viewpoint. Reservations not required except for groups: 310-395-6235. 1hr SMBAS

**SUN 6/26 10am**

*Topanga State Park*  
**Stories and Songs of the Elfin Forest** A docent led hike for children and families. 2hrs TCD



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## Set to Screen

**June 26 – Sunday, 10am**  
*Paramount Ranch*

Learn the secrets that turn a dusty set into a realistic town. Join us on this easy-paced walk behind the scenes to discover the illusions and history of this Ranch. 1.5hrs

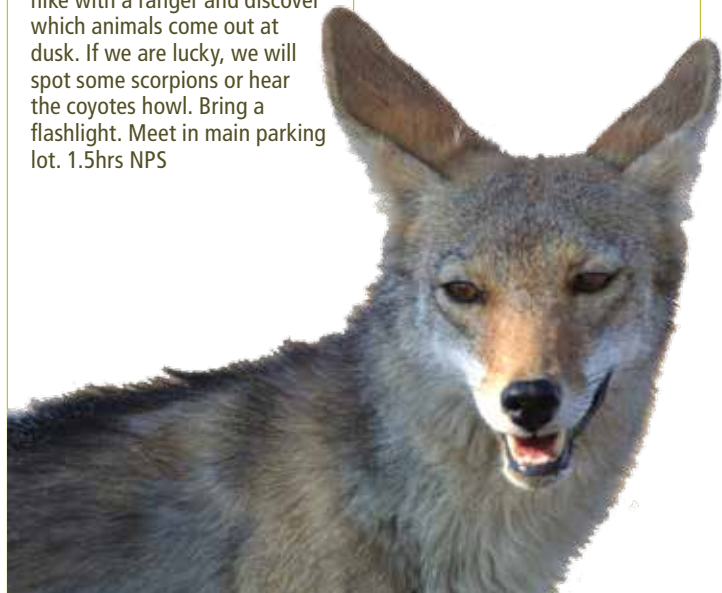
Info: 805-370-2301

**TUE 6/28 8am**

*Caballero Canyon - Lower Trailhead*  
**Caballero Canyon and Bent Arrow Trail** Join a moderately-paced, 6-mile loop hike with 900' elevation gain up a canyon onto old dirt Mulholland, then briefly into Topanga State Park. Chaparral and valley views. Bring water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. *Rain cancels.* Info: Pixie 818-787-5420. 3hrs SC

**TUE 6/28 8:30am**

*Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa - Wendy Trailhead*  
**Danielson Monument Canyons Hike** Join a moderately-paced, 8.5-mile, 1500' gain hike in the Boney Mountain Wilderness on the Upper Sycamore Canyon, Fossil, and Old Boney trails with a side trip to the Danielson Monument. Bring water, lunch, and lugsoles. Red Flag cancels. 5hrs SC



## Regularly Scheduled Activities

<b>Circle X Ranch</b>	Group camping, hiking, picnicking in high mountain country. 15 miles of trails. Guided walks as scheduled. Camping fee. NPS
<b>Cold Creek Preserve</b>	Open daily by reservation only for group and individual walks. Scheduled interpretive plant and bird walks. Tours for private groups may be arranged. 818-591-1701. CCD/MRT
<b>Coldwater Canyon Park</b>	TreePeople location. Nursery open WED 10am to noon, and SAT 2pm to 4pm. TP
<b>Franklin Canyon Ranch/ Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr</b>	Open daily. Hiking, picnicking, and nature trails. Regularly scheduled naturalist programs. WODOC/MRCA
<b>Leo Carrillo State Park</b>	Campfire programs and hikes as scheduled. Camping, fishing, hiking, and surfing. Visitor center open 10am to 3pm weekends. Parking fee. CSP
<b>Malibu Creek State Park</b>	Campfire programs and hikes as scheduled. Camping, picnicking, hiking, bicycling and equestrian trails. Visitor center open weekends noon to 4pm. Crafts and games for children on first and third SAT of month 12:15pm to 2:30pm. Day-use parking fee. CSP/MCD
<b>Malibu Lagoon State Beach/ Historic Adamson House</b>	Tours of historic Adamson House and museum FRI thru SAT 11am to 3pm. Reservations required for 10 or more. TUE: groups by reservation. Tour fees. Bird walks at the state beach lagoon. Parking fee. CSP/MLMD/SMBAS
<b>Paramount Ranch</b>	Western town movie set. Ranger-led programs as scheduled; call 805-370-2301 for dates. Picnicking. Equestrian and hiking trails. NPS
<b>Peter Strauss Ranch</b>	Open 8am to sunset daily. Hillside loop trail, picnicking. Concerts as scheduled. NPS
<b>Point Mugu State Park</b>	Camping, picnicking, hiking, bicycling, and equestrian trails. Naturalist programs as scheduled. Parking fee. CSP
<b>Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa</b>	Hiking, bicycling, and equestrian trails with access to Point Mugu State Park. Culture center is open SAT and SUN 9am to 5pm. NPS
<b>Rocky Oaks</b>	Hiking, equestrian trails, and picnic area. NPS
<b>Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center</b>	Open daily from 9am to 5pm and closed some holidays. Info on Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area and other national parks. Exhibits and bookstore. NPS/MRCA/CSP
<b>Temescal Gateway Park</b>	Open daily. Hiking, picnicking, and overnight group accommodations available. Parking fee. MRCA
<b>Topanga State Park</b>	Hiking, picnicking, equestrian, and mountain bike trails. Docent-led walks as scheduled. Parking fee. CSP/TCO
<b>Will Rogers State Historic Park</b>	Open 8am to sunset. Guided tour of ranch house available TUE thru SUN at 11am, 1pm, and 2pm (ranch house closed on MON). Reservations needed for groups of 25 or more. Parking fee. CSP/WRD
<b>UCLA Stunt Ranch Santa Monica Mountains Reserve</b>	Environmental research and education. K-12, university level, and community programs. By prior approval only 310-206-3887. SRSMMR

## Directions

- Arroyo Sequit** 34138 Mulholland Hwy, Malibu. Pacific Coast Hwy to Mulholland Hwy. Turn inland on Mulholland Hwy and go 6 miles to park entrance on right side of road.
- Caballero Canyon** Ventura Fwy (101) Exit Reseda Blvd, turn south.  
**Lower Trailhead:** 1.9 miles south just past the fountains on left side.  
**Upper Trailhead:** Marvin Braude Mulholland Gateway Park. 3.1 miles south at the end of Reseda Blvd near dirt Mulholland.
- California State Parks Angeles District Headquarters** Ventura Fwy (101) to Las Virgenes Rd. Go 3 miles south on Las Virgenes Rd to Mulholland Hwy intersection (traffic light). Park entrance is 0.25 mile south of the intersection on Las Virgenes Rd. From Pacific Coast Hwy: north on Malibu Canyon Rd to Malibu Creek State Park entrance on left.
- Castro Crest** Pacific Coast Hwy to Corral Canyon Rd (west of Malibu Canyon Rd). Follow Corral Canyon Rd to end (parking lot).
- Charmlee Wilderness Park** Pacific Coast Hwy, about 3 miles south of Ventura County line. Turn inland on Encinal Canyon Rd, 4 miles to park entrance on the left side of road.
- Cheeseboro/Palo Comado Canyons** Ventura Fwy (101) to Chesebro Rd exit. Turn north on Palo Comado Canyon Rd then right on Chesebro Rd. Go north 1 mile to park entrance. Turn right and follow road to parking lot.
- Circle X Ranch** Pacific Coast Hwy to Yerba Buena Rd. Turn inland; go 5.4 miles to Circle X Ranch contact station.  
**Sandstone Peak Trailhead:** 1 mile north of Circle X Ranch contact station on Yerba Buena Rd. Parking lot is on left.  
**Mishe Mokwa Trailhead:** 1.75 miles north of the Circle X contact station along Yerba Buena Road. Parking lot is on right.
- Cold Creek Preserve & Stunt Ranch Reserve Area** Ventura Fwy (101) to Topanga Canyon Blvd south to Mulholland Dr. Turn west (right) 0.25 mile. At Mulholland Hwy, turn left. Continue for 5 miles to Stunt Rd.  
**Lower Stunt High Trailhead:** Turn left on Stunt Rd. 1 mile to pullout on right.  
**Preserve's Lower Gate:** Turn left on Stunt Rd. 1.2 miles to pullout on right. Permit required for walk-in visitation.  
**Preserve's Upper Gate:** Turn left on Stunt Rd. 3.3 miles to pullout on left. Permit required for walk-in visitation.  
**Top of Stunt Rd:** Intersection of Schueren, Saddle Peak, and Stunt Rds.
- Coldwater Canyon Park** Ventura Fwy (101) Exit Coldwater Canyon Ave. Go south to intersection at Mulholland Dr. Entrance is on east (left) side.
- Franklin Canyon Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr (Upper Franklin Canyon):** From Ventura Fwy (101), go 2.5 miles south on Coldwater Cyn Ave. At intersection with Mulholland Dr and Franklin Cyn Dr (directly across from Coldwater Canyon Park), turn right on Franklin Cyn Dr. Go 0.5 mile and turn left at sign for William O. Douglas Outdoor Classroom. Park in lot on left next to nature center. (To go to *Franklin Canyon Ranch*: continue south on the reservoir road and Franklin Canyon Dr. Turn left on Lake Dr.)  
**Franklin Canyon Ranch (Lower Franklin Canyon):** From Sunset Blvd, turn north on Beverly Dr. Continue on Beverly Dr by veering left at "to Coldwater Cyn Dr" sign and left at intersection with Coldwater Cyn Dr (look for Beverly Hills Fire Station #2). Turn right on Franklin Canyon Dr. Go 1 mile and turn right on Lake Dr. Park at main lot at end of road. (To go to *Sooky Goldman Nature Center*: continue north on Franklin Canyon Dr, past Lake Dr. Turn right at sign for William O. Douglas Outdoor Classroom. Continue to parking lot on right.)



**11 Headwaters Corner** Ventura Fwy (101) Exit Mulholland Dr/Valley Circle. Go south on Mulholland Dr to Valmar Rd. Turn right on Valmar Rd. Continue south and veer right on Mulholland Hwy. Signed entrance will be on right.

**12 King Gillette Ranch** Ventura Fwy (101) Exit Las Virgenes Rd. Go 3 miles south on Las Virgenes Rd to Mulholland Hwy intersection (traffic light). Turn left on Mulholland Hwy. Park entrance is 0.1 mile on right.

**13 Leo Carrillo State Park** Pacific Coast Hwy at Mulholland Highway. **Nicholas Flat Trailhead:** From Pacific Coast Hwy, turn north on Decker Road. Travel about 2 miles and turn left on Decker School Road (not Decker School Lane). Follow road to the end.

**14 Malibu Bluffs Park** Pacific Coast Hwy at Malibu Canyon Road.

**15 Malibu Creek State Park** Ventura Fwy (101) Exit Las Virgenes Rd. Go 3 miles south on Las Virgenes Rd to Mulholland Hwy intersection (traffic light). Park entrance is 0.25 mile south of the intersection on Las Virgenes Rd. From Pacific Coast Hwy: north on Malibu Canyon Rd to park entrance on left. **Tapia Unit:** Entrance is 1 mile south of entrance to Malibu Creek State Park. **Reagan Ranch:** Ventura Fwy (101) to Kanan Rd exit. South on Kanan 0.3 mile. Left on Cornell Way and veer to right. South 3 miles to parking area on left (just past Mulholland Hwy). **Backbone Trailhead-Malibu Canyon Road:** Ventura Fwy (101) Exit Las Virgenes Rd. Go south 5 miles to parking lot on right.

**16 Malibu Lagoon State Beach** Pacific Coast Hwy 0.25 mile west of Malibu Pier and 1.5 miles east of Malibu Canyon Rd. Parking lot on ocean side of highway at Cross Creek Rd. **Adamson House:** 23200 Pacific Coast Hwy. Parking lot on ocean side of Pacific Coast Hwy opposite Serra Rd.

**17 Paramount Ranch** Ventura Fwy (101) to Kanan Rd exit. South on Kanan 0.3 mile. Left on Cornell Way and veer to right. South 2 miles, entrance is on right side of the road.

**18 Peter Strauss Ranch** Ventura Fwy (101) to Kanan Rd exit. South on Kanan Rd 2.8 miles. Turn left on Troutdale Dr to Mulholland Hwy. Left on Mulholland Hwy 400' then right into the parking lot. Walk back across the bridge on Mulholland Hwy and enter main gate to go into the ranch area.

**19 Point Dume State Preserve** Pacific Coast Hwy to Westward Beach Rd in Malibu. Turn south and follow road to parking lot.

**20 Point Mugu State Park** Pacific Coast Hwy, 4 miles west of the Ventura County line. Enter park at Sycamore Canyon Campground. **Ray Miller Trailhead:** 1.6 miles west of Sycamore Canyon Campground along Pacific Coast Hwy.

**21 R. H. Meyer Memorial State Beaches** Pacific Coast Hwy near Encinal Canyon Rd. **El Matador State Beach:** On Pacific Coast Hwy, 0.5 mile east of Encinal Canyon Rd. **La Piedra State Beach:** On Pacific Coast Hwy 0.1 mile west of Encinal Canyon Rd. **El Pescador State Beach:** On Pacific Coast Hwy, 0.4 mile west of Encinal Canyon Rd.

**22 Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa** Ventura Fwy (101) to Lynn Rd exit. South on Lynn Rd 5.25 miles to Via Goleta. Park entrance is on the left. **Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center:** Walk 0.3 mile up gravel road from the parking area to brown wooden building. **Wendy Trailhead:** Ventura Fwy (101) to Wendy Dr. exit. South on Wendy Dr to dirt pullout at intersection with Potrero Rd.

**23 Red Rock Canyon** Ventura Fwy (101) to Topanga Canyon Blvd, south to Mulholland Dr. Turn west (right). At Mulholland Hwy turn left. Drive 5 miles to Stunt Rd. Turn left. Drive 1 mile to "Stunt High Trail" sign. Park on wide dirt area on the right side of road. Cross Stunt Rd and hike 1.5 miles on Calabasas Peak Fire Road into canyon.

**24 Rocky Oaks** Ventura Fwy (101) to Kanan Rd. South on Kanan Rd to Mulholland Hwy. Turn west (right) on Mulholland Hwy and right again into parking lot.

**25 Runyon Canyon Park** Hollywood Fwy (101) to Highland Av. South to Franklin Ave. West on Franklin to Fuller, north on Fuller to dead end. Park on street. North Entrance 2.6 miles east of Laurel Canyon Blvd on Mulholland Dr.

**26 Santa Monica Mountains Interagency Visitor Center at King Gillette Ranch** From Ventura Fwy (101): Exit Las Virgenes Rd. Go 3 miles south on Las Virgenes Rd to Mulholland Hwy intersection (traffic light). Turn left on Mulholland Hwy. Go 0.1 mile and turn right into entrance of King Gillette Ranch. The visitor center is the first building on your right.

**Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center** See #22.

**27 Solstice Canyon** From Pacific Coast Hwy turn inland on Corral Canyon Rd. Drive 0.25 mile to park entrance on left.

**Sooky Goldman Nature Center** See #10.

**28 Stunt Ranch Reserve** See #8.

**29 Tapia Park** See #15.

**30 Temescal Gateway Park** From Pacific Coast Hwy, turn inland on Temescal Canyon Rd. Cross Sunset Blvd.

**31 Topanga State Park** South from Ventura Fwy (101) or north from Pacific Coast Hwy on Topanga Canyon Blvd to Entrada Rd on east (left) side of road. Turn east on Entrada Rd and make two left turns to stay on Entrada Rd to park entrance.

**Dead Horse Trailhead:** From Topanga Canyon Blvd, turn East on Entrada Rd. Parking lot is 900' on left.

**Los Lions Trailhead:** From Pacific Coast Hwy turn inland on Sunset Blvd. Continue on Sunset Blvd for 0.25 mile and turn left on Los Lions Dr. Follow road to the end.

**32 Upper Las Virgenes Canyon Open Space Preserve** **Las Virgenes Trailhead:** From Ventura Fwy (101), exit Las Virgenes Road and head north 1.75 miles to the end of the road.

**33 Wilacre Park** Ventura Fwy (101) to Laurel Canyon Blvd, south 1.5 miles to Fryman Rd. Turn right and park along street. Entrance on Fryman Rd just off of Laurel Canyon Blvd.

**34 Will Rogers State Historic Park** 1501 Will Rogers State Park Rd, Pacific Palisades. Pacific Coast Hwy to Sunset Blvd. Inland 5 miles on Sunset Blvd. Entrance signs on left side of road.

**35 Zuma/Trancas Canyons** **Zuma Ridge Trailhead:** Pacific Coast Hwy to Busch Drive (near Zuma Beach). Go north on Busch Drive until it ends. **Zuma Canyon Trailhead:** Pacific Coast Hwy to Busch Drive (near Zuma Beach). Go north on Busch Drive. Turn right on Rainsford Place. Turn left on Bonsall Drive. Parking lot at end of road. **Newton Canyon Trailhead:** Ventura Fwy (101) to Kanan Rd. South on Kanan past Mulholland Hwy. Paved pullout is about 1.75 miles south of Mulholland on right, just north of Tunnel 1.



*Note: To check the degree of handicap accessibility to a site, please contact the sponsoring agency or National Park Service for information.*

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**Have questions on a program or event?**  
Find the acronym (i.e. NPS) at the end of the description  
and then contact the agency or organization below.

## Directory of Park Partners

<b>AASMM</b>	310-457-9130	<b>Allied Artists of the Santa Monica Mountains</b> ( <a href="http://www.allied-artists.com">www.allied-artists.com</a> )
<b>CCD</b>	818-591-1701	<b>Cold Creek Docents</b> ( <a href="http://www.lafn.org/community/mrt/docents.html">www.lafn.org/community/mrt/docents.html</a> )
<b>CMPRD</b>	310-317-1364	<b>City of Malibu Parks &amp; Recreation Dept</b> ( <a href="http://www.malibucity.org">www.malibucity.org</a> )
<b>CNPS</b>	818-345-6749	<b>California Native Plant Society</b> (LA-SMM chapter: <a href="http://www.lasmmcnps.org">www.lasmmcnps.org</a> )
<b>CORBA</b>	818-206-8213	<b>Concerned Off-Road Bicyclists Assn</b> ( <a href="http://www.corbambt.com">www.corbambt.com</a> )
<b>CRPD</b>	805-495-2163	<b>Conejo Recreation &amp; Park District</b> ( <a href="http://www.crpdc.org">www.crpdc.org</a> )
<b>CSP</b>	818-880-0363	<b>California State Parks</b> ( <a href="http://www.parks.ca.gov">www.parks.ca.gov</a> )
<b>FOA</b>	see website	<b>Focus on Astronomy</b> <a href="http://www.focusonastronomy.org">www.focusonastronomy.org</a>
<b>LAAS</b>	323-876-0202	<b>Los Angeles Audubon Society</b> ( <a href="http://www.losangelesaudubon.org">www.losangelesaudubon.org</a> )
<b>LADPR</b>	213-738-2961	<b>County of Los Angeles Dept of Parks &amp; Recreation</b> ( <a href="http://parks.lacounty.gov">parks.lacounty.gov</a> )
<b>MCD</b>	818-889-6238	<b>Malibu Creek Docents</b> ( <a href="http://www.malibucreekstatepark.org">www.malibucreekstatepark.org</a> )
<b>MLMD</b>	310-456-8432	<b>Malibu Lagoon Museum Docents</b> ( <a href="http://www.adamsonhouse.org">www.adamsonhouse.org</a> )
<b>MRCA</b>	310-858-7272 x131	<b>Mountains Recreation &amp; Conservation Authority</b> ( <a href="http://www.lamountains.com">www.lamountains.com</a> )
<b>MRT</b>	818-591-1701	<b>Mountains Restoration Trust</b> ( <a href="http://www.mountainstrust.org">www.mountainstrust.org</a> )
<b>NB</b>	424-234-4871	<b>NatureBridge</b> ( <a href="http://www.naturebridge.org">www.naturebridge.org</a> )
<b>NOWW</b>	310-455-0550	<b>The Nature of Wildworks</b> ( <a href="http://www.natureofwildworks.org">www.natureofwildworks.org</a> )
<b>NPS</b>	805-370-2301	<b>National Park Service</b> ( <a href="http://www.nps.gov/samo">www.nps.gov/samo</a> )
<b>RCDSMM</b>	818-597-8627	<b>Resource Conserv. District of the Santa Monica Mtns</b> ( <a href="http://www.rcdsmm.org">www.rcdsmm.org</a> )
<b>SC</b>	213-387-4287	<b>Sierra Club</b> ( <a href="http://www.sierraclub.org">www.sierraclub.org</a> )
<b>SFVAS</b>	818-618-1652	<b>San Fernando Valley Audubon Society</b> ( <a href="http://www.sfvaudubon.org">www.sfvaudubon.org</a> )
<b>SMBAS</b>	310-395-6235	<b>Santa Monica Bay Audubon Society</b> ( <a href="http://smbasblog.wordpress.com">smbasblog.wordpress.com</a> )
<b>SMMC</b>	310-589-3200	<b>Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy</b> ( <a href="http://www.smmc.ca.gov">www.smmc.ca.gov</a> )
<b>SMMF</b>	805-370-2345	<b>Santa Monica Mountains Fund</b> ( <a href="http://www.samofund.org">www.samofund.org</a> )
<b>SMMNHA</b>	805-488-1827	<b>Santa Monica Mountains Natural History Assn</b>
<b>SMMTC</b>	818-222-4531	<b>Santa Monica Mountains Trails Council</b> ( <a href="http://www.smmtc.org">www.smmtc.org</a> )
<b>SRSMMR</b>	310-206-3887	<b>UCLA Stunt Ranch Santa Monica Mtns Reserve</b> ( <a href="http://stuntranch.ucnrs.org">stuntranch.ucnrs.org</a> )
<b>TCA</b>	310-459-5931	<b>Temescal Canyon Association</b> ( <a href="http://www.temcanyon.org">www.temcanyon.org</a> )
<b>TCD</b>	310-455-1696	<b>Topanga Canyon Docents</b> ( <a href="http://www.topangacanyondocents.org">www.topangacanyondocents.org</a> )
<b>TOPAW</b>	805-494-1700	<b>Thousand Oaks Plein Air Watercolorists</b>
<b>TP</b>	818-753-4600	<b>TreePeople</b> ( <a href="http://www.treepeople.org">www.treepeople.org</a> )
<b>WNPA</b>	805-370-2302	<b>Western National Parks Association</b> ( <a href="http://www.wnpa.org">www.wnpa.org</a> )
<b>WRD</b>	310-454-8212	<b>Will Rogers State Historic Park Docents</b>

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